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APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR SETTING MUTUALLY CONTINUOUS ANALOG, DIGITAL, AND SHUTTER GAIN

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Introductory Comments

This amendment is submitted concurrently with the above-referenced divisional patent application. The enclosed fees are believed to be due by the filing of this application; however, if any additional fees are due by the filing of the enclosed documents, including any fees incurred by an extension of term, please consider this paragraph such a Request for term, and charge any fees associated with the Request or any other fees incurred by the filing of this document to Cirrus Logic Deposit Account No. 03-2028/0876-CS-D1.

Please amend the above-identified application as indicated below.